

REMARKS

Claims 1-2, 4, 6-11, 13-17, 19, 21-26, 28-55, 59, 66, 68-74, and 77 are pending. Claims 1-2, 4, 6-11, 14-17, 19, 21-26, 29-55, 59, 66, and 68-73 are allowed, and claims 13, 28, 74, and 77 are rejected. Office Action at p. 1. Applicant acknowledges and appreciates that claims 1-2, 4, 6-11, 14-17, 19, 21-26, 29-55, 59, 66, and 68-73 have been allowed.

In this response, claims 13 and 28 were amended to delete the compounds cis-1,3,5-tris(palmitoylaminocarbonyl)cyclohexane and cis-1,3,5-tris(lauroylaminocarbonyl)cyclohexane, which lack a C=C double bond. Accordingly, no new matter has been added by this amendment.

I. Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph

Claims 13 (dependent from independent claim 1) and 28 (dependent from independent claim 14) are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as lacking sufficient antecedent basis for the claim elements "cis-1,3,5-tris(palmitoylaminocarbonyl)cyclohexane" and "cis-1,3,5-tris(lauroylaminocarbonyl)cyclohexane," neither of which contains a C=C double bond, as required by independent claims 1 and 14. Office Action at p. 2.

In response to the Examiner's rejection Applicant amends claims 13 and 28 to remove cis-1,3,5-tris(palmitoylaminocarbonyl)cyclohexane and cis-1,3,5-tris(lauroylaminocarbonyl)cyclohexane from the language of these two claims. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection.

II. Rejections Under the Judicially Created Doctrine of Obviousness-Type Double Patenting

Claims 74 and 77 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1, 3, 6-8, 35-37, and 42 of U.S. Patent No. 6,372,235. Office Action at p. 3.

Applicant respectfully disagrees with these rejections. Nonetheless, in order to advance prosecution, Applicant has filed herewith a Terminal Disclaimer to obviate the provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection based on U.S. Patent No. 6,372,235. Entry of this Terminal Disclaimer and withdrawal of these rejections are respectfully requested.

III. Conclusion

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application, and the timely allowance of the pending claims. Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this amendment and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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